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SIR, *St.* James Clerkenwell, May 12, 1735.

BY giving the following a Place in your next *Register*, you'll very much oblige several of the Inhabitants of this Parish, and lay a very great Obligation upon them; and particularly on

Your humble Servants,
B. A.
D. C.
Z. Y, *&c. &c. &c.*

OLIVER CROMWEL, *Lord Protector*,
Anno Dom. 1656.

THIS Indenture made the second Day of *June*, in the Year of our Lord, according to the Computation of the Church of *England*, one thousand six hundred fifty and six, between *Edward Drake*, of *Tottenham-Court* in the County of *Middlesex*, Gent. on the one Part, and *Josias Berners*, of the Parish of St. *James Clerkenwell* in the said County of *Middlesex*, Esq; *James Berners*, Gent. Son and Heir Apparent of the said *Josias Berners*, *Richard Powell*, of *Clerkenwell* aforesaid, Esq; *Richard Powell*, Gent. Son and Heir Apparent of the said *Richard Powell*, and *Benjamin Powell*, Gent. second Son of the said *Richard Powell* on the other Part, *Witnesseth*, that the said *Richard Drake*, for and in Consideration of a competent Sum of current *English* Money to him in Hand, paid by the said *Josias Berners*, *James Berners*, *Richard Powell* the Elder, *Richard Powell* the Younger, and *Benjamin Powell*, before the Insealing and Delivery of these Presents, the Receipt whereof the said *Edward Drake* doth hereby acknowledge hath granted, bargain'd, and sold, and by these Presents doth grant, bargain, and sell unto the said *Josias Berners*, *James Berners*, *Richard Powell* the Elder, *Richard Powell* the Younger, and *Benjamin Powell*, and their Heirs, all that Church of *Clerkenwell*, and the Rectory or Parsonage thereof, and Church-Yard thereunto belonging, together with the Soil thereof, and the Buildings belonging to the said Church, with their and every of their Rights, Members and Appurtenances in the said County of *Middlesex*, late to the Monastery of *Clerkenwell* in the said County of *Middlesex*, belonging or appertaining, and Parcel of the Possessions of the same, and the Advowson, Donation and free Disposition and Right of Patronage of the Vicarage of *Clerkenwell*, with their Rights, Members and Appurtenances whatsoever, except two Messuages or Tenements, and two Yards or Gardens, with the Appurtenants thereunto belonging, situate and being in *Clerkenwell-Close*, in the Occupation of *Ralph Wiseman* and *Henry Hazard*, now or heretofore Parcel of the Glebe of the said Church, and the Rectory thereof, *To have and to hold* the said Church and Church-Yard, and all and every the Premises hereby granted, except before excepted, unto the said *Josias Berners*, *James Berners*, *Richard Powell* the Elder, *Richard Powell* the Younger, and *Benjamin Powell*, and their Heirs and Assigns for ever, to the Use of them and their Heirs for ever, upon Trust and Confidence: Nevertheless to and for the only Use, Benefit and Behoof of the Parishioners and Inhabitants of the said Parish of St. *James Clerkenwell*, and their Successors for ever; and to and for none other Use, Trust, Intent, or Purpose whatsoever, in as large and ample Manner as the said *Edward Drake* heretofore held and enjoy'd, or was to have held and enjoy'd the same, together with the Rectory of *Clerkenwell*, by Letters Patents under the Great Seal of *England*, chargeable nevertheless with one yearly Pension, Portion, or Payment of *Four Pounds Eighteen Shillings and Nine-Pence*, for the perpetual Maintenance of a Curate to celebrate Divine Service in the said Church of *Clerkenwell*, which said Pension of *Four Pounds Eighteen Shillings and Nine-Pence* is agreed by and between all and every the Parties to these Presents, that the said Pension for ever hereafter shall be only chargeable upon the said Church and Church-Yard thereof, and every Part thereof; and the said *Edward Drake* and the said two Messuages as above excepted, to be wholly acquitted, exonerated, and discharged thereof. And the said *Edward Drake* for himself, his Heirs, Executors, Administrators, and every of them, doth covenant, grant and agree to and with the said *Josias Berners*, *James Berners*, *Richard Powell* the Elder, *Richard Powell* the Younger, and *Benjamin Powell*, their Heirs and Assigns, and every of them by these Presents, that the said *Edward Drake* now is at the Time of the Sealing and Delivery of these Presents, and so shall continue unto the full Execution of these Presents, to be true and lawful Owner of the Rectory of the said Church, and other the Premises, and that

he now is seized, and so to the Execution of these Presents shall continue to be seized of the said Rectory of the said Church and Premises, and every Part thereof of a good, lawful and indefeazable Estate of Fee Simple to him and his Heirs, without any Condition or Limitation whatsoever, which may be lawful to and for the said *Josias Berners*, *James Berners*, *Richard Powell* the Elder, *Richard Powell* the Younger, and *Benjamin Powell*, their Heirs and Assigns, peaceably and quietly to have, hold, possess and enjoy all and every the before-bargain'd Premises, with their Appurtenances, except before excepted, subject to the Proviso hereafter mention'd, without any Let, Trouble, Suit, Eviction, Disturbance, or Demand of him the said *Edward Drake*, his Heirs or Assigns, or any other Person or Persons claiming by, from, or under him, them or any of them; and that freed and discharged of and from all and singular former Grants, Bargains, Sales, Leases, Charges, Estates, Titles, and all other Incumbrances whatsoever, the said Pension of *Four Pounds Eighteen Shillings and Nine-Pence* only excepted and fore-prized. And the said *Edward Drake* for himself, his Heirs, Executors and Administrators, doth further covenant, grant, and agree to and with the said *Josias Berners*, *James Berners*, *Richard Powell* the Elder, *Richard Powell* the Younger, and *Benjamin Powell*, their Heirs and Assigns, and every of them, by these Presents, that he the said *Edward Drake* and *Mary* his Wife, before the Feast of *All-Saints* next ensuing the Date of these Presents, upon the Request and at the Costs and Charges in the Law of the said *Josias Berners*, *James Berners*, *Richard Powell* the Elder, *Richard Powell* the Younger, and *Benjamin Powell*, the Survivor or Survivors of them, their Heirs and Assigns, shall and will in due Form of Law by Fine to be duly levied before the Justices of the Court of Common Bench at *Westminster* (whereupon Proclamation shall and may be had and made, according to the usual Course of Fines, with Proclamation for Assurance of Lands in such Cases used, and the Form of the Statute in that Behalf provided) convey and assure unto the said *Josias Berners*, *James Berners*, *Richard Powell* the Elder, *Richard Powell* the Younger, and *Benjamin Powell*, and their Heirs, the said Church and Premises herein before-mention'd, and intended to be hereby granted, with their Appurtenances, by the Name of the Rectory impropriate of *Clerkenwell*, or such other convenient Name or Description as by the Counsel learned in the Law of the said *Josias Berners*, *James Berners*, *Richard Powell* the Elder, *Richard Powell* the Younger, and *Benjamin Powell*, their Heirs or Assigns, shall be reasonably devised or required, which said Fine and all other Fines so as aforesaid, or in any other Sort to be had and levied, and shall be adjudged taken, and is hereby declared to be and enure to the Use of the said *Josias Berners*, *James Berners*, *Richard Powell* the Elder, *Richard Powell* the Younger, and *Benjamin Powell*, their Heirs and Assigns for ever; *In Trust* nevertheless for and to the Use of the said Parishioners and Inhabitants of St. *James Clerkenwell*, and their Successors for ever, provided always that if the said *Josias Berners*, *James Berners*, *Richard Powell* the Elder, *Richard Powell* the Younger, and *Benjamin Powell*, their Heirs and Assigns, or some or one of them shall not and do not from Time to Time, and at all Times hereafter free, acquit, exonerate and discharge, or otherwise well and sufficiently save harmless the said *Edward Drake*, his Heirs and Assigns, and the aforesaid two Messuages or Tenements before excepted, or mention'd to be excepted out of this present Grant, Bargain, and Sale of and from the aforesaid yearly Pension, Portion, or Payment of *Four Pounds Eighteen Shillings and Nine Pence*, and all Arrears thereof, otherwise upon ten Days Notice to be left at the Church of *Clerkenwell* aforesaid, that the Pension is behind and unpaid; then if the said Pension be not discharged, it shall and may be lawful to and for the said *Edward Drake*, his Heirs and Assigns, into the before-bargain'd Church, Church-Yard, Rectory and Premises to re enter, and the same to have again, repossess and enjoy, as in his or their former Estate, Right, Title and Interest, and that then and from thenceforth the said Fine so levied, or to be levied, as aforesaid, shall be and enure, and shall be deemed, judged, reputed and taken to be and enure, to the only and proper Use and Behoof of the said *Edward Drake*, his Heirs and Assigns, any Thing herein contained to the contrary thereof in any wise notwithstanding. In Witness whereof the said Parties to these Presents have interchangeably set their Hands and Seals the Day and Year first above written.

And be it remembred, that the Thirtieth Day of *July*, in the Year above written, the aforesaid *Edward Drake* came before *Oliver*, Lord Protector of the Commonwealth of *England*, *Scotland* and *Ireland*, and the Dominions thereunto belonging, in Chancery, and acknowledg'd the Indenture aforesaid, and all and every Thing therein contained and specified in Form abovesaid. Inroll'd the fifth Day of *August*, in the Year within written.

SATURDAY, *May* 10.

YESTERDAY the Merchants receiv'd Advice by a Letter from *Nantz*, of a melancholy Accident that has happen'd to the *Haswell*, Capt. *Christopher Brooks*. This Ship sail'd from *England* in *October* last, with a Freight of Corn for St. *Lucca*, which Place she left in *November*, and arriv'd at *Madeiras* in *December*, where she took in 96 Pipes of Wine, and set Sail for *Virginia*; but in the Night between the second and third of *January*, five of the Crew, headed by the Boatswain, rose, and seiz'd the second Mate, whose Watch it was, and having knock'd out his Brains with a Hatchet, threw him over-board; at the same Time two of the Gang went to the Captain's Cabbin and cut his Throat, and next to the Chief Mate, whom they serv'd in like Manner. There was one Mr. *Hill* on board as a Passenger, but they spared his Life, as they did likewise the Carpenter's, and the Captain's two Apprentices, contenting themselves with taking their Words to join in their intended Piracy. The first Ship they met was a *Portugueze*, whom they plunder'd of every Thing; but being soon in great Want of Food and Water, they were oblig'd to put in at a small Port in the Island of *Martinico*, belonging to the *French*, where Mr. *Hill* finding Means to get on Shore, discover'd the whole Affair, and had the Fellows seiz'd, who were all immediately broke on the Wheel.

Two fine Busts, one of *Olfrith*, a *Welch* King of the *Saxon* Line, and the other of *Edward* the Black Prince, are carving out of a very curious Piece of Marble by Mr. *Rysbrack*, for his Royal Highness the Prince of *Wales*, to be set up in the Octogon which is building in his Royal Highness's Garden in *Pall-Mall*.

[Price THREE HALF-PENCE.]

N. B. *Advertisements, of a reasonable Length, are put in this Paper at Two Shillings and Six-Pence each.*

On Wedneſday laſt one *Bolton Paterſon*, a Sailor on board his Majeſty's Ship the *Cornwall* at the *Nore*, was executed at the Yard-Arm for Deſertion. 'Tis ſaid that he found Means, the Night before Execution, to get out of his Irons, and to make as far as the Ship's Deck, but had not Courage enough to jump over-board, and attempt his Eſcape either by ſwimming on Shore, or to the other Ships: He therefore went down to the Carpenter, and conjur'd him to head him up in an empty Cask till a better Opportunity offer'd: But the Carpenter not being able to conſent to any ſuch Thing, he was diſcover'd, and iron'd more ſecurely.——The Commanders of all his Majeſty's Ships lying at the *Nore*, in order to make a right Uſe of the Terror of ſuch an Execution, have taken great Pains with their Men, to inculcate the Neceſſity of a ſevere Diſcipline, after ſo long a Series of Lenity and Indulgence, and have accordiingly caus'd the Articles of War to be read publickly upon Quarter-Deck, every Sunday ſince the Criminal has been under Condemnation.

Laſt Thurſday was the Anniverſary Meeting of the Treaſurers and Truſtees of the ſeveral Charity-Schools within this City, the Bills of Mortality, and Parts adjacent, at the *Crown* Tavern behind the *Royal-Exchange*, to the Number of about 150, where they had an elegant Entertainment with the beſt OEconomy, provided by the late Stewards; after which Sir *William Chapman*, Bart. took the Chair; and amongſt other Reſolutions, they agreed to bring up more Boys to Navigation, which 'tis hop'd may be of great Service to this Kingdom, and particularly to this opulent City.

A few Days ago a Woman was committed to *Chelmsford* Gaol for poiſoning her Husband: She bought the Poiſon at an Apothecary's in *Chelmsford*, and a Woman in Company with her asking what ſhe had got, ſhe ſaid ſome Stuff for her Husband, and he being found dead in his Bed the next Morning, ſhe was taken up on Suſpicion, and examin'd before a Juſtice, where ſhe confeſs'd that when he ask'd for Beer in the Night, ſhe mix'd the Poiſon with the Draught, and gave it him.

Preferments. Yeſterday Sir *William Yonge*, Bart. and Knight of the Honourable Order of the *Bath*, one of the Lords Commiſſioners of the Treaſury, and Member of Parliament for *Honiton*, kiſs'd their Majeſties Hands at St. *James's*, on his being appointed Secretary at War, in the room of Sir *William Strickland*, Bart, who has reſign'd.——*Henry Arthur Herbert*, Member of Parliament for the Borough of *Ludlow* in the County of *Salop*, is appointed Lord Lieutenant of that County, and Cuſtos Rotulorum of *Montgomeryſhire*, in the room of the late Earl of *Bradford*.

Marriages. Yeſterday *John Elliott* of *Iſlington*, Eſq; was married to the Relict of Sir *John Criſp*, Bart. and Siſter to the late Dr. *Exton Sayer*, who married the preſent Lord Chancellor's Siſter.——We have an Account from *Holland*, that about three Weeks ago the Lady *Katherine Grey*, ſecond Daughter to the Earl of *Stamford*, was married to Mynheer *Trypp*, Poſt-maſter of *Amſterdam*, and only Son and Heir to the Burgomaſter of that Name, who is reckon'd immenſely rich.

MONDAY, *May* 12.

On Tueſday Night her Grace the Dutcheſs of *Leeds*, Wife to the Right Hon. the Earl of *Portmore*, was ſafely deliver'd of a Daughter.

On Friday laſt, by his Majeſty's ſpecial Command, a correct Liſt of the Fleet and Number of Officers and Seamen, was ſent from the Admiralty-Office to the Duke of *Argyle*, Maſter General of the Ordnance, with Orders for one Cutlaſs and Piſtol to be deliver'd forthwith to every Man of the ſaid Fleet.

On Saturday laſt the eldeſt Son of the Lord *Archibald Hamilton*, a Youth of about fourteen Years of Age, enter'd on board his Majeſty's Ship the *Rippon* as a Volunteer.

We hear that all Seamen in the Merchants Service, who ſhall have the Misfortune to be maim'd or wounded in fighting any Privateer or Pyrate, will for the future be admitted to the Benefit of *Greenwich-Hoſpital*, equally with thoſe who ſerve on board his Majeſty's Ships of War.

We hear that there is to be a Detachment of a Captain, a Lieutenant, an Enſign, and a hundred Men out of every one of the marching Regiments in *Great Britain*, to ſerve as Marines on board Sir *John Norris's* Squadron.

The ſaid Squadron is to conſiſt of 25 Men of War, *viz.* the *Britannia* of 100 Guns, one of 90, two of 80, ſixteen of 70, three of 60, and two of 50. Their Compliment of Seamen will amount to 12,840 Men.

The following is a particular Account of the Manner of taking *Gregory*, and his Confeſſion to Sir *John Osborne*, Bart. in *Wincheſter* Gaol. A Day or two after Sir *John* was robb'd, the two *Gregorys* went to a Cock-Match near *Petersfield*, and there betted; and as *Sam. Gregory* was reaching to a Perſon a-croſs the Pit, his Great Coat flew open, and ſeveral People ſaw a Piſtol ſtuck in his Belt; this preſently was whiſper'd about, and they made off: Next Day the Robbery being much talk'd on, and the Men deſcrib'd, Enquiry was made which Way they went, *&c.* and they were trac'd to an Alehouſe at *Rake* near *Petersfield*; ſo about Five in the Morning two young Fellows, one arm'd with a Pair of Piſtols and a Hanger, the other with a Gun and Hanger; and two old Fellows, one with a Sort of Scythe, and the other with a Piſtol and Sword; went to this Alehouſe, and hearing they were above in Bed, went up Stairs, broke open their Chamber-Door, and took them before they ſcarce knew of their Deſign; upon this, the *Gregorys* proteſting their Innocence, and declaring how willing they were to go before a Juſtice, to clear themſelves, the Country Fellows ſuffer'd them quietly to put on their Cloaths, and dreſs themſelves; which as ſoon as they had done, *Sam. Gregory* ſtampt with his Foot, and they both inſtantly went to the Bed's Head, and took from under the Pillow a Brace of Piſtols each; *Sam.* fir'd one Piſtol, and wounded one of the Fellows, then he with the Gun fir'd and miſs'd; then *Sam. Gregory* clos'd in, and got one of the young Fellows down, and was juſt going to murder him, when the other young Fellow with his Hanger cut at *Sam. Gregory*, and cut off the Tip of his Noſe, and Part of his Cheek; and one of the old Fellows, at the ſame Time, ſhot the other *Gregory* in the Thigh, ſo that he fell down, and *Sam. Gregory* was immediately ſeiz'd, tho' with ſome Difficulty; and it is thought if *Gregory's* Brother had not had that Shot in his Thigh, they would have got away; for till then the Battle run in their Favour. After they were ſeiz'd, being carried before a Juſtice of Peace, and giving a very indifferent Account of themſelves, they were committed to *Wincheſter* Gaol on Suſpicion; ſoon after their coming in, the Gaoler unloaded *Gregory's* Piſtol, that was not diſcharg'd, and found the Ball was ramm'd in with a Bit of Paper, whereon was a Direction to *Gregory*; this confirm'd his Suſpicion, and he wrote Word of it to Town; and ſome little Time after they had been in Gaol, *Gregory's* Brother died of his Wounds; and Sir *John Osborne* came to the Gaol to ſee *Gregory*, and was pretty poſitive to him, but very poſitive as to his Watch found upon him; ſo he confeſs'd he was the Perſon that robb'd him, and ſaid he knew him when he did it, and referr'd to ſome Diſcourſe that paſs'd between them; and ask'd Sir *John*, if he was not once in *Buckinghamſhire* at a Gentleman's, and ſent his Horſe to the Smith's to be ſho'd, and that the Horſe kick'd the Smith's Man; Sir *John* reply'd, Yes; then ſays *Gregory* that was me, and this is the Scar in my Cheek. He then confeſs'd the Robbery of Farmer *Lawrence*, and his lying with the Maid, (tho' not ſo as ſworn) and how he way-laid the Farmer's Son, *&c.* coming home from the Trial of his Companions; and ſaid he expected to be hang'd; but deſir'd to be us'd civilly whilſt he lived, and only deſir'd he might not be hang'd in Chains, or anatomiz'd; and ſaid his Deſign of coming into that Country was to get off by Sea; that he and his Companion had been at *Brighthelmſtone* and *Shoreham*, but as no Veſſel was then going off, they had not Money enough to hire one, and pay for the full Paſſage to *Boulogne*; and that they had been at *Southampton*, and would have gone to *Guernſey*, but had not Money enough to pay their Paſſage; ſo that they robb'd to make up a Sum, intending, as ſoon as they had got it, to have gone off, being well ſatisfy'd they could not ſtay in *England* with Safety.

Death. On Sunday died at *Somerſet-Houſe*, *Philip Leche*, Eſq; only ſurviving Son of Sir *William Leche*, late of *Wreſtram* in *Kent*.

Bankrupts. Edward Harrington, of *Sandford-Mills*, in the Pariſh of *Springfield*, in the County of *Eſſex*, Miller and Chapman.——*John Branton*, late of *Aſhwell*, in the County of *Hertford*, Butcher and Chapman.——*John Sibley*, late of *Hunſdon*, in the County of *Hertford*, Mercer.——*James Emans*, late of *Duke-ſtreet*, in the *Park*, *Southwark*, in the County of *Surry*, Diſtiller.——*Charles Boddington*, of *Biſhopsgate-ſtreet*, *London*, Hoſier.

TUESDAY, *May* 13.

On Saturday laſt a Quarrel aroſe at *Drury-Lane* Theatre, towards the End of the Play, between Mr. *Thomas Hallam* and Mr. *Mechlin*, two Comedians belonging to that Houſe, when the latter puſh'd violently at the former with a Crab-Tree Stick, which enter'd his Eye, broke the Socket of it, and pierc'd an Inch into his Head, of which Wound he died on Sunday Night; and laſt Night the Coroner's Inqueſt ſate on the Body, and brought in their Verdict *Wilful Murder*. *Mechlin* immediately abſconded, and has not ſince been heard of.

The Murder of Mr. *Hallam* is reckon'd by many, a parallel Caſe to *Francis* killing *Dangerfield*; which Caſe was thus. *Dangerfield* returning, 1685, from his Whipping to *Tyburn*, being brought by *Grays-Inn Gate* in a Hackney-Coach, *Robert Francis*, Eſq; a Student of that Inn, came to the Coach-Side, and in an inſulting Manner ask'd him, *Whether he had his Heat that Morning? Dangerfield* curs'd him, call'd him Names, *&c.* which put *Francis* into a Paſſion, and occaſion'd his puſhing a Cane into the Priſoner's Eye, of which Wound *Dangerfield* ſoon after died; and tho' this might ſeem an Accident, yet *Francis* was tried, and convicted of Murder, and executed; and *Francis* at that Time was look'd upon as a Papiſt, and to have been ſet on to murder *Dangerfield*; yet all Applications for pardoning him were rejected by King *James* II. But *Francis* at his Death declar'd himſelf a Member of the Church of *England*, and was attended to Execution by Proteſtant Divines.

Yeſterday about Three in the Afternoon, a Lighter coming thro' *London-Bridge*, in which was the Maſter and his Boy, unfortunately falling foul of the Sterlings, and a Lighter very cloſely following them, which ſtruck upon the Stern, the two Perſons were drowned in the former, and three in the latter.

They write from *Wirkſworth* in *Derbyſhire*,

that a few Days ago a poor Man, as he was working in a Lead Mine near that Town, found above a hundred Pieces of *Roman* Silver Coin, being the *Romani Denarii:* The neweſt of theſe Pieces muſt be above 1600 Years old; the Buſts of the five firſt Emperors of *Rome* appear exceeding full and clear upon ſeveral of them, and the Inſcription very legible. There was the Remains of a Pot in which they were hid, but very much decay'd.

Dublin, May 3. This Day 89 Men were taken by Mr. *Mercer*, Commander of the *Thompſon* Galley in our Bay. They were on board a Sloop going to *France*, (and it's ſuppoſed) into which Service they had inliſted themſelves. One of our Sheriffs, attended with two Companies of Foot, receiv'd them at Landing, and conducted them to *Newgate*.

Preferment. His Majeſty has been pleaſed to appoint *Richard Arnold*, Eſq; to be Deputy Secretary at War.

Death. On Tueſday laſt died the Rev. Mr. *Anthony Gregory*, Rector of *Mepal*, and Vicar of *Sutton* in the Iſle of *Ely*, in the 85th Year of his Age. He held *Sutton* 59 Years, and *Mepal* 50.

WEDNESDAY, *May* 14.

On Monday Night laſt, a Man came to Mr. *Reynolds*'s at the *Crown and Rolls* in *Chancery-Lane*, and ask'd if one Lawyer *Johnſon* (a ſham Name) was there, and being told No, he call'd for a Room, and deſir'd if he came they would ſhew him into it; then he was ſhew'd a Room in the Yard, and he order'd a Biſhop, which was carried him in a Two-handled Silver Cup, with a Plate of Sugar, and a Silver Spoon. Soon after, the Perſon pretending to be the Lawyer, ask'd if any Body enquir'd for him, whereupon he was ſhew'd into the Room to the Man; and ſoon after they found an Opportunity to carry off the Silver Cup and Spoon, near 20*l.* Value, and even the Pewter Plate.

We hear that the Right Hon. the Lord Viſcount *Gage* is to lay the firſt Stone of the new Building that is to be added to *Greenwich-Hoſpital*, and that his Lordſhip's Picture is to be put up in the Great Hall; he having by his indefatigable Endeavours in detecting a notorious Fraud, not only procured 80,000*l.* for the finiſhing the ſaid Hoſpital, but alſo a Revenue for maintaining the Sailors that are to fill it, the Parliament having thought fit, by the Conſent of his Majeſty, to apply to the Uſe of the ſaid Hoſpital the Profits that accru'd to the Publick from the Diſcoveries made by the ſaid noble Lord, for which his Lordſhip once ſo deſervedly receiv'd the Thanks of Parliament, and has now again obtained a freſh Mark of their Favour.

Yeſterday in the Afternoon the notorious *Samuel Gregory*, who robb'd Farmer *Laurence* and raviſh'd his Maid, was brought by a Habeas Corpus to *Newgate* from *Winchester* Gaol, being handcuff'd and chain'd under a Horſe's Belly, with ſeven or eight Perſons well arm'd to guard him; the Keeper of *Winchester* Gaol took him to New Priſon to *Wheeler* the Evidence, who declar'd as ſoon as he ſaw him that he was the Man; nor does *Gregory* himſelf diſown it.

Yeſterday about Five in the Afternoon a Gentleman was knock'd down by one Foot-pad in the Long Field by *Pancras*, who took from him his Gold Watch and ten Guineas; but being cloſely purſu'd by a Man who was at ſome Diſtance when the Robbery was committed, he took to a Pond and ſtood in the Middle, and bid Defiance to the Purſuer; but the latter calling three Men who were paſſing by to aſſiſt him, the Rogue was taken and carried to St. *Giles*'s Round-houſe, and proves to be one of the *Suttons:* He has impeach'd ſeven of his Accomplices, two of whom were taken that Night at a Brandy-Shop in St. *Giles*'s.

Preferments. Edward Haſted, of *Chatham* in *Kent*, Eſq; is appointed a Maſter Extraordinary of the High Court of Chancery.——They write from *Glouceſter*, that on the 7th Inſtant Mr. *Winn* was choſen Coroner of that County.

Deaths. On Saturday died at *Bath*, *Matthew Hales*, Eſq; one of the Commiſſioners of the Cuſtoms.

Bankrupts. Benjamin Evans, of *Fleet-ſtreet*, *London*, Druggiſt.

THURSDAY, *May* 15.

On Tueſday the Right Hon. the Earl of *Cholmondeley*, Knight of the moſt Hon. Order of the *Bath*, reſign'd the Office of Maſter of the Horſe to his Royal Highneſs the Prince of *Wales*.

The Right Hon. *Thomas* Earl of *Weſtmoreland*, Baron *Le Diſpenſer* and *Burgherſch*, firſt Lord Commiſſioner of Trade and Plantations, one of his Majeſty's moſt Hon. Privy Council, and Lord Lieutenant of the County of *Northampton*, has reſign'd his Place at the Board of Trade.

On Tueſday the Right Hon. the Lord Mayor, in the Preſence of ſix Aldermen, was pleaſed to nominate Mr. *William Parkin*, Citizen and Ironmonger, in *Foſter-Lane*, as a fit and proper Perſon to be one of the Sheriffs of *London* and *Middleſex*, for the Year enſuing.

Yeſterday at Noon was held a General Council at St. *James*'s, when Mr. Serjeant *Urling*, Deputy Recorder of this City, attended, and made his Report of the five Malefactors under Sentence of Death in *Newgate*, viz. *Daniel Stockman*, for robbing *Wm. Hawkins*, Eſq; of a Silver-hilted Sword, Value about 3*l. Eliz. Grinley*, for robbing Mr. *Roger Brown* of a Guinea, three Half Guineas, and Half a Crown; *Thomas Symonds*, for aſſaulting and robbing *John Steygold* of a Silver Watch, Value about 6*l. Eſther Barrett*, for ſtealing out of the Shop of *Benjamin Godfrey* a Card of Gold Rings; and *Elizabeth Tee*, for the Murder of her Baſtard Child. When his Majeſty was pleas'd to reprieve them all, in order for Tranſportation for 14 Years.

Preferments. The Right Hon. *Benjamin* Earl *Fitzwalter* has kiſs'd the King's Hand on his being appointed firſt Lord Commiſſioner of Trade and Plantations, in the room of the Earl of *Weſtmoreland.*——*Richard Plumer*, Eſq; Member for St. *Mawes* in *Cornwall*, is appointed one of the Lords of Trade and Plantations, in the room of *Paul Docminique*, Eſq;——*Thomas Skinner*, Eſq; Member for *Oxford*, is appointed King's Serjeant, and receiv'd the Honour of Knighthood.——His Majeſty has been pleaſed to make the following Promotions in the Army, *viz.* Sir *Robert Rich*, Bart. Repreſentative for St. *Ives* in *Cornwall*, to be Colonel of the Regiment of Dragoons late Lieutenant-General *Evans*'s. Sir *Charles Hotham*, Bart. Repreſentative for *Beverley* in *Yorkſhire*, to ſucceed Sir *Robert Rich* as Col. of the ſecond Troop of Grenadier-Guards. Col. *John Armſtrong*, Chief Engineer, to have Sir *Charles Hotham*'s Regiment of Horſe in *Ireland*. *Wm. Murray*, Eſq; Repreſentative for *Great Bedwin*, Brother to the Earl of *Dunmore*, is to have the Reg. of Foot late Brig. Gen. *Jones*'s. And Col. *Ponſonby* to ſucceed Col. *Murray* in the Command of his Reg. of Foot in *Ireland*.

Marriage. Yeſterday the Right Hon. the Earl of *Suffolk* and *Bindon* was married to Miſs *Inwen*, Daughter of *Thomas Inwen*, Eſq; Member of Parliament for *Southwark*.

FRIDAY, *May* 16.

Yeſterday his Majeſty went with the uſual State to the Houſe of Peers, and gave the Royal Aſſent to the following Bills: The Land Tax Bill, the Sinking Fund Bill, the Salt Bill, the *Greenwich-Hoſpital* Bill, the Pilots Bill, the Rice Bill, the Sail Cloth Bill, the Bill for Quartering of Soldiers, the Debtors Bill, the Hue and Cry Bill, the Bill againſt deſtroying of Turnpikes, the St. *Alban*'s Road Bill, the St. *Giles*'s Road Bill, the *Hampſtead* Road Bill, the *Whitby* Harbour Bill, the Engraver's Bill, and that for the Nightly Watch; the Earl of *Seaforth*'s Bill, the *Shoreditch* Church Bill, *Lincoln's-Inn-Fields* Bill, and alſo to ſeveral other publick and private Bills. After which his Majeſty was pleaſed to put an End to the Seſſion, with a gracious Speech, and to order the Parliament be prorogued to the 12th of *June*.

Yeſterday the Lord Viſcount *Lonſdale*, Lord Keeper of the Privy Seal, a Poſt worth 2000*l. per Annum*, went to Court, and reſigned it to his Majeſty.

The ſame Day was held a General Court of the *South-Sea* Company, when Sir *Richard Hopkins*, Sub-Governor, acquainted the Proprietors, that an Addreſs had been preſented to his Majeſty, purſuant to the Reſolutions of the laſt Court, in relation to the Diſpoſal of their Trade, but that his Majeſty had not been pleas'd as yet to ſignify any Anſwer thereto. The Contents of the ſaid Addreſs were then read, and Sir *Thomas Geraldino* deſiring to have a Copy of it to ſend to the King of *Spain*, his Requeſt was refus'd.

The Proprietors next proceeded to take the State of their Trade into Conſideration; and the Schedule granted by his *Catholick* Majeſty to the Company, and a Part of the *Aſſiento* Contract being read, it was unanimouſly reſolved, 'That the Reſtraint inſiſted upon by 'Sir *Thomas*, with reſpect to the Goods ſent 'by the Annual Ship, were contrary to the 'Practice for 20 Years paſt, and to the Let-'ter of the *Aſſiento* Contract.' Whereupon the Court order'd, that an Addreſs be preſented to his Majeſty, humbly to repreſent to him the ſaid Affair.

A Motion was then made, for immediately ſtating the Accounts between the King of *Spain* and the Company to the preſent Time; but Debates ariſing, a ſecond Motion was made and carry'd, for referring it to the Court of Directors, to give their Opinion to the next General Court, Whether it was either practicable or proper to do it at this Juncture?

The Gentlemen who ſpoke in the Courſe of the Debates were, Mr. *Woodford*, Mr. *Caſwall*, Mr. *Roberts*, Mr. *Heathcote*, Mr. *Solomon Da Coſta*, Mr. *Weymondſels*, and ſome others.

Yeſterday the King's Baggage was put on board, and all his Majeſty's Attendants have poſitive Orders to embark this Day, except thoſe who are abſolutely neceſſary to wait on his Perſon. His Majeſty ſets out To-morrow Morning.

Preferments. His Majeſty has been pleaſed to appoint the Right Hon. the Earl of *Godolphin*, Groom of the Stole, to be Lord Keeper of the Privy Seal, in the room of the Right Hon. the Lord Viſcount *Lonſdale.*——Capt. *Bludworth* is appointed Deputy Maſter of the Horſe to his Royal Highneſs the Prince of *Wales.*—Brigadier-General *Tyrrell*, Member of Parliament for *Boroughbridge*, is appointed Governor of *Pendennis* Caſtle, vacant ever ſince the Death of Brigadier-General *Hobart.*——*John Hampden*, Eſq; Member of Parliament for *Wendover*, is made Commiſſary of the Stores of War at *Gibraltar.*——Lord *Robert Montagu*, Brother to his Grace the Duke of *Manchester*, and Member for *Huntingdonſhire*, is made Vice Chamberlain to her Majeſty, in the room of the Hon. *Robert Coke*, Eſq;——*Charles Fielding*, Eſq; Brother to the Earl of *Denbigh*, is made Equerry to his Majeſty, in the room of *Philip Lloyd*, Eſq; deceaſed.

FOREIGN NEWS.

THEY write from *Madrid*, that the Difference between *Spain* and *Portugal* continues ſtill in the ſame Situation; the Servants of both the Ambaſſadors are ſtill in Priſon; the Court of *Lisbon* is arming as expeditiouſly as poſſible, and daily ſending Troops towards their Frontiers; the *Spaniards* are doing the ſame, and it is ſaid that their Army on the Side of *Portugal* conſiſts already of above 20,000 well diſciplin'd Men, beſides their Militia.

Our Correſpondent at *Franckfort* writes us Word of the 12th, that as ſoon as Prince *Eugene* arrives in the Army, the King of *Great Britain* deſigns to ſend one of his Miniſters of State to confer with his Highneſs on Matters of Importance.

They write from *Berlin*, that the King of *Pruſſia* is ſo well recovered, that he rides a Hunting twice a Week. The Declaration which that Prince made to all the Foreign Miniſters reſiding at his Court, in relation to the Affairs of *Poland*, (Copies whereof were likewiſe ſent to his *Pruſſian* Majeſty's Miniſters at Foreign Courts) was to this Effect.

The King has thought fit to make known the Reſolution he has taken to perſiſt in the exact Neutrality he has hitherto obſerved with Regard to the Affairs of *Poland*. His Majeſty is likewiſe reſolved to continue to King *Staniſlaus* the Enjoyment of the Retreat he has granted him, and alſo to the Grandees of *Poland*. The King hopes, that in Conformity to this Diſpoſition, a due Regard and Reſpect will be paid to the *Azylum* which he thinks fit to give to that Prince, as well as to the *Poliſh* Lords. His Majeſty declares, that if it ſhould be any ways ſtruck at, he will look upon ſuch an Enterprize as an Act of Hoſtility committed againſt himſelf. The King cannot therefore diſpenſe with taking ſuch Meaſures, as ſhall appear to him the moſt ſuitable to his Dignity, the Maintenance of his Rights, and that of his Prerogatives, *&c.*

Letters from *Conſtantinople* confirm, that the *Perſian* General inſiſted upon ſuch Terms for making Peace with the *Turks*, that the Divan could not accept them, and that all Negotiations were accordingly broke off; that the Grand Seignior was ſending freſh Supplies of Men and Money to his Army, and that were it poſſible to effect an Accommodation with *Thamas Kouli Kan*, the *Turks* could not be in a Condition to annoy the Emperor at leaſt theſe two Campaigns.

Prince *Eugene* is ſafe arriv'd at the *Imperial* Army on the *Rhine*.

The Princes of the Blood have left the Court of *Verſailles*, in order to repair to the *French* Army.

All Reports at *Paris* of a Treaty of Peace or Ceſſation of Arms are blown over, and nothing heard of but Preparations for carrying on the War with Vigour. By the Diſpoſitions which the Court are making, as well for a Proviſion of Stores as a Supply to their Finances, it looks as if his moſt *Chriſtian* Majeſty conceiv'd there would be more than one Campaign before the War ended.

Don Carlos has reſum'd his Deſign of taking *Syracuſa*, and the *Spaniſh* General is to ſend his Royal Highneſs Word as ſoon as the Breach is made, and the Garriſon can hold out no longer. The Garriſon conſiſts of 700 Regular Troops, and about 400 Burghers.

The *Spaniſh* Troops employ'd in the Siege of *Orbitello* and *Port Hercules*, have made a very ſlow Progreſs; the Air is beſides very unwholſome, and the Men die in great Numbers.

The Beſiegers were at firſt ten Times the Number of the Beſieged, and 'twas thought the latter could not hold out ten Days; but their Defence has been ſo gallant, or the Attack ſo ill carried on, that the *Imperialiſts* are in as good a Condition as ever, and the *Spaniards* in want of a Reinforcement to effect the Reduction of thoſe Places.

Her *Catholick* Majeſty has ſent to *Rome*, to engage the moſt eminent Painters there in a Deſign ſhe has taken up for furniſhing her Cloſet: They are to be employ'd in putting *Don Carlos*'s Actions to Canvas, and 'tis propos'd that his Succeſſes already will fill twelve Pictures. Her Majeſty's Cloſet has room for many more.

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